GRANTS MINERAL BELT (aka San Mateo) MEETING MINUTES FOR 03/4/2009 2:00 PM

IN ATTENDANCE:

EPA Attendees:

Barbara Aldridge Brenda Cook Kevin Shade
Jamie Bradsher John Myer LaDonna Turner
Stephen Capuyan John Rauscher (phone) Warren Zehner

New Mexico Attendees: (phone)

Dana Bahar David Mayerson Jerry Schoeppner

Action Items Update:

Gathering database and collecting XML data

Kevin has attempted to contacted Dr. Maclamore via email and phone regarding the database (Dr. Maclamore has the original database and we would like to review it so that we can do a comparison). Additionally, Kevin has been working with Susan LucasKamat of the Mine and Mineral Division (MMD) to obtain the remainder of the XML data files (these files go along with the current data files that we (EPA) have already received from MMD). Note: Susan had been out and could not provide the XML data prior to the meeting.

Team Member List has been received by Dana Bahar.

Database Discussion

NMED discussed the origin of the database. The original database was created by Dr. Maclamore and then other groups within (MMD) made several versions based on their needs. Enforcement will continue to work with Susan and Dr. Maclamore to get a copy of the databases and compare. Dr. Maclamore has a more comprehensive database and Susan's database focuses on all Uranium Sites.

WorkPlan Due from NMED

The workplan has been sent to EPA. EPA just received it just prior to the meeting and hadn't had time to review. This is a draft workplan and the major changes included a section discussing ownership to help identify PRPs and a section discussing the possible area of the Luguna section which are tribal lands. NMED noted they can not work with the Laguna study unless they are invited by the Laguna tribe.

The Agenda Discussion:

National Enforcement Investigation Center

This discussion will be tabled for March $18^{\rm th}$. This meeting will discuss the isotopic sampling.

Target Area Discussion

Enforcement discussed possible areas that would be good for the study areas. Poison Canyon was mentioned because there appears to be viable parties although more research will need to be done to make that determinations. There are 18 companies that represent the area.

Warren noted that Farris Mine owners could be offshore and may present enforcement problems.

There was a discussion of the final list of wells. This was discussed because they don't want to repeat wells that have been sampled. LaDonna may have most of the data regarding these wells. Danna stated she will upload the spread sheet with the location information. And Brenda will review the data. Also Strathmore another area has oversite by the NM State regulators and NMED said they don't want to repeat what has been done.

Another study area mentioned was named by NMED called Arroyo de Puerto some of the mines are number 99, 31 and 91. Mines in 31 and 100 could be good for enforcement. This will be further discussed by the group.

There was a discussion on what areas would need air monitoring, sampling for the background and surface water. Also Poison Canyon has wells that should be sampled. Enforcement stated the need to run Merchant and Dun and Bradstreet reports for this area.

Stimulus Update

John reported there was no update on the stimulus money but maybe next week. Barbara mentioned the email that was stating that some agencies are receiving stimulus money which include the Forest Service and BLM. This may help with the cleanup efforts.

Visit to Santa Fe

Barbara discussed that we will be meeting with NMED in Santa Fe. We discussed the topics which include more discussion on the target area, the draft agenda and enforcement meeting with other state people to begin identifying the universe of source documents.

Next Steps:

Meet next week with NMED and other State agencies to develop relationships and to identify the source documentation universe.

Develop draft agenda for Stakeholders Meeting
Further Discuss Target Area

Action Items:

Danna will follow up on Strathmore data NMED will upload ground water data to Quick Place Kevin will continue to contact Dr. McLemore and others to discuss obtaining database